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AppropriationTestimony
AN ACT PROVIDING FUNDING FOR THE STATE~WIDE FIREARMS TRAFFICKING TASK
FORCE.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am writing you to provide my testimony to give you my opinions and support for this bill.

This bill provided that the funds are used appropriately should be a step in the right direction towards getting guns out of the hands of criminals.

While I would also ask that thought and discussion be also directed in the direction of more funding for the State and Local police departments to add officers as needed and put more "Feet on the Street", I think this is a step in the right direction.

But there are several things about this bill that worry me:

Firstly, Is this enough funding? Like many other endeavors we need to make sure the funding is appropriate for the job. In the full scope of this will this do the job?

The second, worry I have is that this is just funding for tracking down law abiding citizens that fall to purchase insurance if that bill is passed.

If this funding is actually used to take criminals and their illegal weapons off the street I am all for it.

If this bill was created as a follow up to disarm citizens, or to track down people who decide that the 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment provides them with all they need to legally own and possess weapons: You are declaring war on the legal gun owners of Connecticut.

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